

TODAY and TOMORROW

POWER POLITICS

THE British propagandists, besides defending anti-Axis policy in occupied areas, try to explain away the serious conflict between Britain, America and Russia as minor insignificant differences. They want to make us believe that there is no real conflict, only a difference of opinion between America and Russia. The British propagandists say that Russia demands an assurance of her safety and for this she wants concrete guarantees of her territorial borders and spheres of influence. America, on the other hand, has a more idealistic vision of the future and all her attention is concentrated upon the territorial and political integrity of the smaller nations of Europe. Britain herself is playing the part of a middle-man between America and Russia.

That is the British claim. If the British claim were true, then the American authorities should have some time or other protested against Russian policy in Yugoslavia, Rumania or Bulgaria. America so far has never protested against or criticised Russian policy. On the other hand, the American Secretary of State Stettinius has vehemently criticised British interference in Italy and Greece. Thus contrary to the British claim, the Americans are opposed to British policy in occupied areas, they do not seem to bother in any way about Russia.

In all problems, Britain alone is all for international control. America is in favour of each of the big three—Britain, America and Russia—having its own private, sphere of influence. America's ambition is to be sole mistress of the Pacific and China at least and she does not want any interference in her control over these areas from Britain or Russia.

Russia too does not want any international control because Russia wants Eastern Europe, the Balkans and certain other sectors exclusively as her own sphere of influence. And America is trying to strengthen her own claim for the Pacific and China by supporting Russia's claims in Eastern Europe and in the Balkans.

Thus Britain stands alone. America and Russia, compared with Britain, are much stronger—strong enough to hold their spheres of influence by sheer force. Britain is not strong enough to hold her territories and spheres of influence and therefore she is trying to canvass international sanction and support.

Thus there is no real unity of agreement in the basic aims of Britain, Russia and America. There is bitter conflict of interests, with a state of temporary truce between Russia and America. But any moment bitter conflicts may arise between Russia and America also,

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Nippon Air Force Blasts Enemy Air Base On San Jose

Wild Eagles Heavily Raid Foe Positions On Leyte And Mindoro Islands

A Nippon Base in the Philippines, December 21 (Domei)—In a raid last night on the airfield the enemy is hurriedly constructing at San Jose, our air units caused conflagrations at several points.

According to the reports of our reconnaissance planes which scouted over the enemy territory yesterday two runways were in the stage of construction, of which one was 70 per cent. completed with a hangar already erected. Further reports indicated that ground levelling of the other runway was being carried on.

Upon receipt of the reports from our reconnaissance planes, our air units attacked the enemy airfield the same night and scored direct hits, setting ablaze three places and heavily blasting another.

All our planes returned to their base safely from this mission.

The United States invasion forces both in the Leyte and Mindoro sectors in the Philippines war theatre were heavily pounded by our air force in a series of devastating night assaults carried out for three days beginning last Sunday, December 17.

These sustained attacks got under way on the night of December 17 when our air force, striking at enemy positions along the western coast of Leyte Island, blasted several of them.

On the following night our air force attacked enemy positions near his landing points on the western shore of Mindoro Island. One enemy surface craft was sunk off the shore with a direct bomb hit and another heavily damaged and set ablaze while heavy explosions were caused at several enemy positions on the island. These enemy positions where heavy explosions occurred were seen enveloped in flames subsequently.

Our air force again struck at the enemy landing points near San Jose, Mindoro Island, on the night of December 19 when our raiders succeeded in sinking four enemy torpedo-boats in addition to blowing up and setting ablaze enemy positions at several points. At one of these points thus blasted, a huge fire developed which was seen blazing for several hours.

because the truce is a negative truce, founded not on unity and co-operation but on tactical bargaining. Anti-Axis disunity is already producing tremendous repercussions—the Anglo-Americans are now meeting with serious reverses. The final defeat of the anti-Axis nations will come rapidly in the same pattern.

PREMIER KOISO REAFFIRMS FIRM CONFIDENCE IN FINAL VICTORY IN EAST ASIA WAR

Nippon-Thailand Treaty Of Alliance Anniversary Messages Exchanged

Tokyo, Dec. 21 (Domei)—Ultimate victory will certainly be ours in the current War of Greater East Asia, Premier General Kuniaki Koiso declared this evening in an exchange radio message with Major Khuang Abhaiwongse, Prime Minister of Thailand, felicitating the third anniversary of the conclusion of the Nippon-Thailand Offensive and Defensive Alliance.

Addressing the people of Thailand, Premier Koiso said that during the past three years we have established an indestructible foundation assuring ultimate victory for our side. He declared Nippon and Thailand, accepting the brazen challenge of Anglo-American aggression, signed an offensive and defensive alliance on December 21, 1941, to co-operate mutually in self-preservation and self-defence. Three years have passed since that pact of alliance was concluded and the peoples of the two countries have further strengthened their mutual co-operation.

Confidence in our ultimate victory has been further heightened, the Premier emphasized, and added that it is indeed a matter for congratulation that Thailand is continuing its relentless battle against our arch enemies, Britain and America.

U.S. Face Greatest Disaster In Europe Since P.I. Collapse

Lisbon, Dec. 21 (Domei)—A United Press correspondent assigned to General Dwight Eisenhower's Headquarters, quoting initial information gleaned from military sources, today reported that the current powerful German counter-offensive along the Belgium-Luxembourg frontier has the earmarks of confronting the United States Army with the greatest defeat since the collapse of the Philippines in 1942.

The correspondent said that the German Army is continuing its advance without any indication that it has spent all its reserved power and General Eisenhower's Headquarters frankly recognizes the increasing danger of the situation.

Wehrmacht legions today have wrested back in three short days those German areas which the anti-Axis armies took three bitter months of sanguinary fighting to conquer, the writer declared.

In the event the Germans succeed in effecting a breakthrough in the American positions with their powerful counter-offensive, involving an estimated 225,000 men and approximately



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Bangkok, Dec. 21 (Domei)—In a radio address to the Nippon nation on the occasion of the third anniversary of the conclusion of the Nippon-Thailand Treaty of Alliance, Premier Major Khuang Abhaiwongse of Thailand strongly re-affirmed Thailand's unshakable determination to fight out the Greater East Asia War to a successful conclusion in close collaboration with Nippon.

British Weekly Urges Anglo-U.S. Pressure On Soviet Government

Lisbon, Dec. 21 (Domei)—In an outspoken criticism of Soviet policy vis-a-vis Poland, the influential British weekly "Economist," in its latest issue declares that the crux of the Polish Question is not the Curzon Line but Russian refusal to negotiate or await the post-war peace conference for settlement, according to a London dispatch.

The journal urges Britain and the United States to bring pressure to bear on the Soviet Union to make concessions to Poland, declaring the real danger is that the independence of one of the small nations is being threatened by one of the major partners of the anti-Axis alliance.

Forceful diplomatic action is needed to press the Russians to negotiate on the basis of the Curzon Line and not demand its acceptance as a preliminary for negotiations, the "Economist" says, assailing Moscow's unyielding attitude toward the settlement of the Polish dispute.

600 tanks, all that the anti-Axis armies gained during six months of severe trial will have been lost completely the correspondent said.

Jawaharlal Nehru & Other Leaders Won't Be Released

British Policy Unchanged, Says Leopold Amery In House Of Commons

Lisbon, Dec. 21 (Domei)—British Secretary of State for India Leopold S. Amery, speaking in the House of Commons, today, indicated that the British Government is not contemplating any revision of its policy regarding the release of detained Indian political prisoners, according to a London dispatch.

Amery's statement was made in reply to a question posed by Labourite Reginald Sorensen as to whether he could now assure the House that renewed consideration would be given to the question of releasing those political prisoners in India who were detained without charge or trial.

The British Secretary of State for India claimed that authorities in India constantly had under review cases of persons detained as the result of the Congress disturbances of 1942 and releases were made so far as compatible with the essential considerations of security.

Describing Amery's statement as "unsatisfactory," Sorensen gave notice that he would raise the question again in the House of Commons at the earliest opportunity.

Another Labourite Member asked how Amery could expect the friendship of the Indian people if he persists in keeping persons like Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru in prison.

Detailed Program For Mass Meeting Tomorrow, Dec. 24

Following is the programme for tomorrow's mass rally of Indians at the Rani of Jhansi Camp Padang, Waterloo Street, Syonan, at 5 p.m.:

- 5 p.m. His Excellency Netaji arrives.
Inspects the Guard of Honour.
Unfuris the National Flag.
National Anthem.
Garlanding by the Chairman, I.I.L., Syonan Branch.
5.15 p.m. His Excellency Netaji addresses in Hindustani.
Translation in Tamil.
National Anthem.

Enemy Transport Sunk Off San Jose

A Nippon Base in the Philippines, Dec. 22 (Domei)—The Nippon air force, including the Special Attack Corps, attacked enemy war-craft and transports off San Jose, Mindoro Island, on Dec. 20, and instantaneously sank one medium sized transport. The Nippon air force in aerial combat shot down three P-38's and five P-40 fighters.

Heavy Loss Inflicted On Chungking Division

A Nippon Base in Northern Burma, December 22 (Domei)—The Nippon forces which have been counter-attacking the main strength of the American-equipped newly organized 30th Division of the Chungking army since December 9, during the 12-day period ending December 20, inflicted more than 2,500 casualties, including 800 killed, on the enemy.

War booty taken in the course of operations included 15 trenchmortars and mountain guns, rifles and machineguns totalling 96 and other weapons as well as large quantities of ammunition.

23,000-Ton US Tanker Sunk In Mid-Pacific

Lisbon, Dec. 21 (Domei)—The United States Navy announced that the 23,000-ton naval auxiliary oiler Mississinewa was sunk recently in the central Pacific as a result of enemy action, but nearly 80 per cent. of the crew were saved.

The normal complement of the ship is about 250 officers and men. The nature of enemy action was not disclosed. However, Captain Phillip Beck, a survivor, said that the ship sank rapidly after the first explosion had ripped the ship's bow 17 minutes after the Reveille had been sounded. Seconds later the forward gas tanks blew up, turning the vessel into a blazing inferno.

Tacloban Base Badly Raided And Strafed

A Nippon Base in the Philippines, December 21 (Domei)—Crack Nippon air units early on the morning of December 19 effectively raided the enemy airfield at Tacloban, Leyte Island.

In defiance of heavy ground fire, the Nippon raiders bombed and strafed the airfield causing fire to start at two points among the ground installations.

Malacca Government Honours Netaji Bose

Malacca, Dec. 21 (Domei)—The news of the visit of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, Head of the Provisional Government of Free India, to Malacca today, is being looked forward to with great enthusiasm by the local Indians. A State Luncheon will be given by the Malacca Government in honour of Netaji's visit.

German Gigantic Counter-Attack Unchecked; United States First & Third Armies Suffer Huge Losses

Lisbon, Dec. 21 (Domei)—London dispatches said the forward impetus of Field Marshal Von Rundstedt's counter-offensive which started last Saturday rolled on largely unchecked today with the Germans' most potent threat developing in the area south and west of St. Vith, 67 miles north-east of Sedan.

While the German High Command continued to be silent on the details, it announced that German spearheads had penetrated the Ardennes forest and cut the 45-mile Liege-Bastogne highway, one of the main north-south highways binding the American First and Third Armies. It may be recalled it was through the Ardennes forest that the Germans made their great break-through in 1940, smashing across the Meuse at Sedan. An A.P. dispatch said American troops fighting back in the greatest battle of the war, were suffering heavy losses, while freshly brought up American formations have been split up into individual groups without being able to stop the German advance.

In yesterday's fighting 43 tanks and armoured vehicles as well as 50 guns were captured and 136 tanks destroyed at focal points on the Western Front,

while the number of prisoners now exceeded 20,000, the German High Command announced. Stiffening German resistance was reported in other sectors of the Western Front.

Long-range fire on London and Antwerp continued yesterday, the German communique said. It added in the Schelde estuary six large enemy supply freighters, totalling 30,000 tons, were sunk by "sea fighting".

In Hungary the Soviets attacked with strong forces supported by numerous planes between Lake Balaton and the Danube and embittered fighting is now progressing, the German communique said. It added that Soviet pressure increased between the Danube bend and the southern border of Slovakia. At the Eipel River on the western slopes of Matra and on both sides of the Upper Sajó German troops checked Soviet attacks after hard fighting. In the area south and north-east of Kaschau, repeated Soviet attacks failed.

In Central Italy the enemy made a major attack north of Faenza. However, he gained only two kilometres, the Berlin communique said. American bombers dropped bombs yesterday on localities in south and south-eastern Germany.

Suichuan & Kanchow Bases Again Pounded

A Nippon Base in China, December 21 (Domei)—Nippon bomber units on the night of December 20 carried out synchronized attacks against Suichuan and Kanchow airfields, remnant bases for the China-based United States air force.

Due to poor visibility our pilots were unable to confirm their war results. All our bombers returned safely to their bases.

Enemy Raider Shot Down Over Hongkong

Hongkong, Dec. 21 (Domei)—Nippon fighters accounted for one enemy plane shot down and another heavily damaged yesterday afternoon when three P-51's attempted a nuisance raid on this port city.

The raiders made their appearance over Hongkong around 1.00 p.m. on Wednesday. They were immediately intercepted by a Nippon fighter unit which, in the ensuing air action, shot down one enemy fighter and heavily crippled another.

Germans Advance Far Into Belgium

Lisbon, Dec. 21 (Domei)—German infantry and Panzer formations surging across the Belgo-German frontier in their most crushing counter-attack since the anti-Axis invasion of Europe have swept 56 kilometres inside Belgium, according to frontline dispatches received here today.

Over Ten B-29's Shot Down In Nagoya Area

Tokyo, Dec. 22 (Domei)—At least ten B-29 bombers are so far known to have been brought down this afternoon when approximately 100 Mariana-based Super Forts raided central parts of Nippon, Dai Honyei announced in a communique released at 5.30 o'clock this afternoon.

The communique pointed out that the final war results achieved by our interception units are now being checked up and will be made known later, indicating that a still greater number of raiders were brought down.

The communique reads: "About 100 B-29's from the Mariana Group attacked the Nagoya area and other places this afternoon. Only slight damage was suffered by our side. Although the war results scored by our interceptors are still being checked up more than ten enemy aircraft are so far known to have been brought down."

Br. Aid To Chungking Regime Negligible

Lisbon, Dec. 21 (Domei)—British Under-Secretary for Air Brabner today admitted in the House of Commons that British aircraft were only able to take small quantities of supplies to Chungking despite Britain's avowed desire to grant all-out aid, according to a Reuter's dispatch from London.

NOTICE

All those who desire to donate money to Netaji's Fund are kindly requested to make donations to the Finance Department, Indian Independence League, Syonan Branch, not later than 4 p.m. on Sunday the 24th instent.

Chairman,
Indian Independence League,
Syonan Branch.

WANTED

One Hundred Applications are invited for the Azad School, Penang. Candidates must be between the ages of 18 and 30 years and possess educational qualifications of at least Standard Five in English. All applications must be forwarded to the Indian Independence League, Syonan Branch.

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At Rani Of Jhansi Camp Padang

TOMORROW AT 5 P.M.

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*Did you see Netaji last Sunday?
Come & See Him Again!*

Come & Hear Him Again!

*Can the Anglo-Americans Beat Germany?
What Does German Counter-Attack Mean?*

*What Is Happening In Greece, Italy,
Holland And Belgium?*

Why Do The Anglo-Americans Fear General Yamashita?

*Netaji Will Answer These Questions
Come And Hear Him Speak!*